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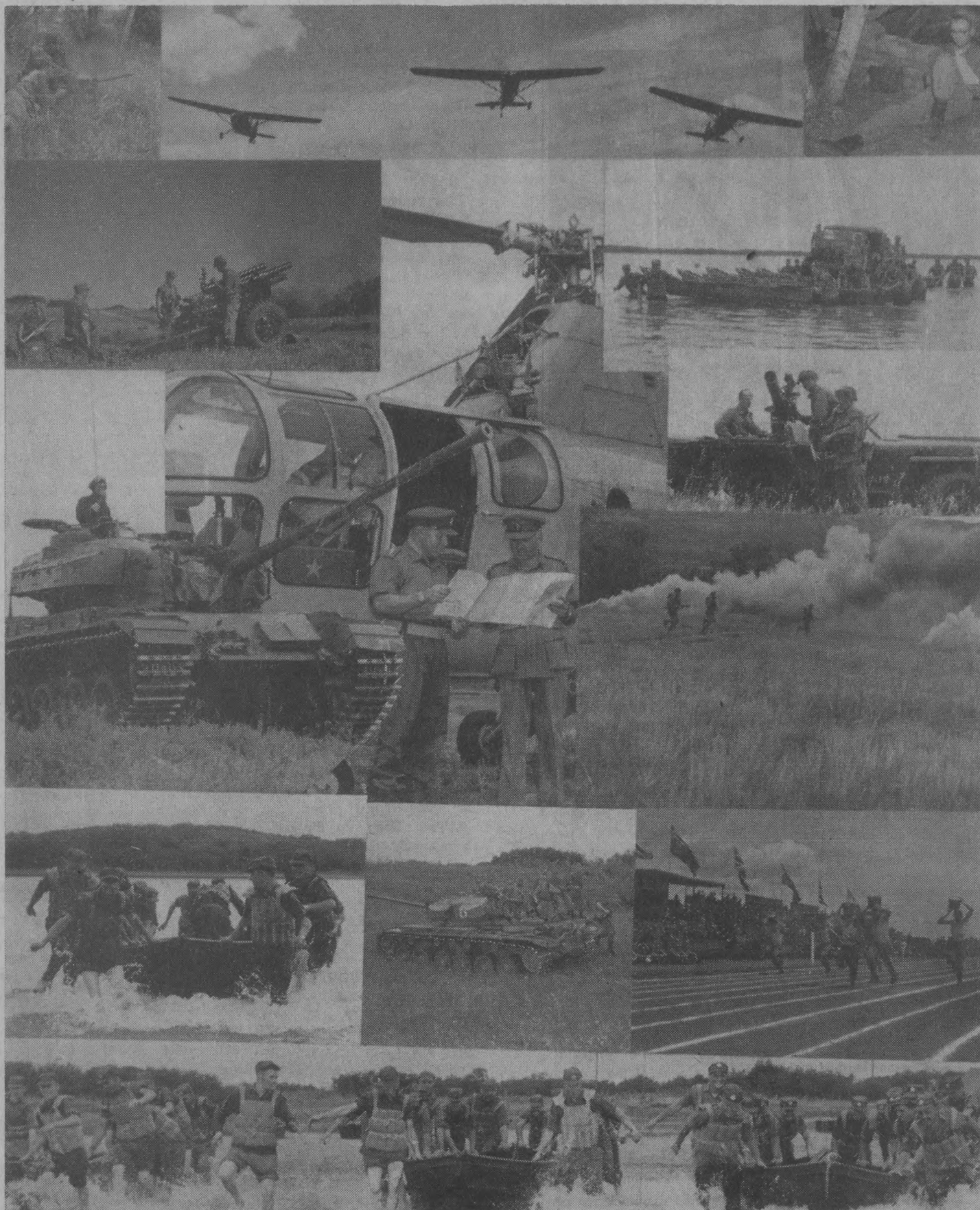


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Originals of "Association" Posted



Back in the days when Griesbach was a pup with growing pains, Major R. I. Luker, Command Provost Marchall (left) took the helm as chairman of the then newly organized Griesbach Association. Assisting in a most able fashion was Lt. Jack Vessey (right) in the capacity of assistant chairman, helping bring Griesbach to the front in its strive for community recognition.

Major Luker departed Griesbach recently to take up his new post with the United Nations Truce Supervisory Organization in Palestine for a one-year tour of duty. A member of the Canadian Provost Corps, Major Luker has been Commanding Officer of the Western Command Provost Company in Edmonton since 1956. Enlisting in 1940, he saw service in the United Kingdom and Northwest Europe during the Second World War. He

was awarded the Military Cross and the Order of the Orange Nassau at the Scheldt Estuary landing in Holland in 1944. He also served in Korea and Japan from 1950 to 1952.

Lieut. Vessey is now preparing for his posting to Camp Borden where he will assume the appointment of Administrative Officer and Instructor at the Canadian School of Military Intelligence. He joined the Army in 1941 and was commissioned in 1953. During his tour here his foremost function was anything that would further community growth.

It is due greatly to the efforts of these two officers that Griesbach has attained its present standard as a community and the fruit of their efforts is borne out by the growth of this area in the field of civic responsibility.

OUR COVER PAGE

Wainwright Summer Concentration is almost history for another year. There remains now only the appreciation of lessons learned and their relation to modern warfare.

Under command of Brigadier G. A. Turcotte, units of 1st Canadian Infantry Brigade Group trained extensively in practically every phase of military operation including a mock battle with "invading" Fantasia forces which tested units

defence and attack on the nuclear battlefield.

Picture on cover is a "pot-pourri" of various stages of the concentration from training and recreation to planning, execution and ceasefire.

Not pictured here, but a driving force behind individual effort, is the well-earned annual leave period.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Letters addressed to the Editor for publication, should deal with subjects of general interest. They may be published under a pseudonym if requested, but must contain the signature and address of the originator as evidence of good faith.

ANOTHER BOQUET

I would like to pass on my compliments to you and the staff of the Griesbach Bugle for excellent colour photo of the "Guards on the Hill" that you carried in your July issue.

So far as I can ascertain yours is the first of the service newspapers to reproduce colour.

The Griesbach Bugle continues to be an outstanding camp newspaper in all respects. I am sure it is serving a most constructive and useful purpose in Western Command.

Yours truly,

F. K. Resor, Lt.-Col.

Director

Public Relations (Army)

Army Headquarters

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Editors' Note: Our thanks in turn to the PRO and News Representatives who make this and every issue possible.

BEAUTIFUL HOMES

Flower displays played a big part in deciding Griesbach's beautiful homes for the month of July.

This month's winner has moved up from fourth place. Spr. Wilkinson has moved his houses up from 5th and 6th spot to 3rd and 5th positions and again receives two prizes. Two homes displaced two June winners.

Many homes, as they were in June, are bunched just below the winners and with a continuing effort they stand an excellent chance of entering the winners' circle in August.

Remember that August prizes will be doubled. Keep up the good work and make the judges' task for the final month a real difficult one.

Your Council extends congratulations to the winners and a thank you to the judges.

July winners are given below:

1st — PMQ 319, SM (WO 1) L. H. Jarvis, \$15.00.

2nd — PMQ 270, Capt. V. Roddick, \$10.00.

3rd — PMQ 456, Spr. R. C. Wilkinson, \$5.00.

4th — PMQ 320, S/Sgt. H. Taylor, \$5.00.

5th — PMQ 457, Spr. R. C. Wilkinson, \$5.00.

6th — PMQ 309, Capt. P. Austin, \$5.00.

7th — PMQ 307, Capt. R. G. Beull, \$5.00.

School Registration 1961-62

GENERAL

Education facilities are provided without charge only to children of service or civilian personnel residing on a defence establishment. Other cases must be considered individually by the Official Trustee and if acceptable may be permitted to attend DND school on written authority only.

The term "children" shall be interpreted to be only those children of natural issue or of legal adoption.

For the benefit of newcomers to Griesbach, School No. 1 is located in the south section of the camp and School No. 2 in the north section.

Parents are advised that age limits for kindergarten pupils will be five (5) years of age on or before December 31st, 1961, and for grade one pupils six years of age on or before the same date. Birth certificates will be required to substantiate age of kindergarten and grade one pupils who will be registering for the first time.

REGISTRATION IN BOTH SCHOOLS WILL TAKE PLACE ON TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 5th, 1961, BETWEEN 1000 AND 1100 HRS..

Registration of pupils will be as follows:

Kindergarten, Elementary and Junior High School

All pupils kindergarten and grades 1 to 4 inclusive:

a. Living in Griesbach south of 146th Avenue will attend School No. 1.

b. Living in Griesbach north of 146th Avenue will attend School No. 2.

All pupils for Grades 5 and 6 living in Griesbach will attend School No. 2.

All pupils for Grades 7 to 9 inclusive living in Griesbach will attend School No. 1.

Senior High School:

a. All pupils of Protestant Faith for Grades 10 to 12 inclusive living in Griesbach will attend Queen Elizabeth High School. Bus schedules will be advised.

b. All pupils of Roman Catholic Faith for grades 10 to 12 inclusive living in Griesbach will attend O'Leary High School. Bus schedules will be advised.

REGISTRATION IN BOTH SCHOOLS WILL TAKE PLACE AT 0900 HOURS, SEPTEMBER 5th, 1961. Bus will leave Griesbach School No. 1 at 0800 hours.

New comers to camp are urged to contact the applicable school early in August to arrange suitable courses.

In order to assist the School Board with the preparation of bus schedules, it is requested that parents of Senior High School students forward the following information as soon as possible to Capt. F. G. Daniels, HQ Western Command.

- Father's Service particulars.
- Father's Unit.
- Name of Student.
- Date of Birth.
- Name of School.
- PMQ No. and Street Address.

On receipt of this information a Student Bus Pass will be issued.

It is emphasized that students will not be permitted to ride the Army School bus without a pass.

ALBERTA COLLEGE

Parents who wish to send their children to Alberta College for Senior High School will FIRST obtain authority for this from HQ Western Command. Requests for authority should be forwarded to Capt. F. G. Daniels, HQ Western Command, together with a brief outline why tuition at Alberta College is desired.

Honourable Mention:

- PMQ 304, Major W. Mills
PMQ 243, Major G. Henderson
PMQ 123, S/Sgt. H. F. Garnett
PMQ 180, Capt. F. Daniels
PMQ 181, Capt. D. Buxton
PMQ 282 — SM (WO 1) W. C. Donhou
PMQ 267, Lieut. P. W. Collins
PMQ 201 — QMS (WO 2) L. C. Schoonover
PMQ 308 — Mr. J. Roe.

A THOUGHT

Remember this, each man alone
Has the power to build his throne;
And this fact is also true
He can build his prison too.

— Wilmer F. Shyrook.

FIRE CALLS

Alarms answered by the Griesbach Fire Department in the month of June:

- 1020 hrs., June 2nd, 149th Ave. and 108th St. False alarm.
1230 hrs., June 4th, Officers' Mess (J-4). Light ballast.
1205 hrs., June 10th, 138th Ave. and 102nd St. Gas leak.
1532 hrs., June 14th, 152nd Ave. and 102A St. False alarm.
1428 hrs., June 16th, Brant Place. First aid.

- 1040 hrs., June 23rd, QM and Tech Stores (H-20). False alarm. (Wind set off master box).
1420 hrs., June 27th, 139th Ave. and 102A St. Washing machine.

Change of Command



Colonel H. A. Millen (right), takes over as new Chief of Staff for Western Command headquarters Griesbach, from Colonel N. H. Ross, who is being promoted to Brigadier and leaving for Fredericton, N. B., as commander of New Brunswick Area. He has been Chief of Staff in Edmonton since 1959. Col. Millen recently returned from the Middle East where he served for a year as Chief of Staff to the United Nations Emergency Force.

(National Defence Photo)

Promoted and Posted



Quartermaster-sergeant Instructor Albert J. Rudd of Stettler, Alta., will be appointed Regimental Sergeant-Major and posted to the 1st Battalion, Princess Patricia's Canadian Light Infantry in Victoria, at the end of August. He has been with the 2nd Battalion, PPCLI, in Edmonton since 1950. QMSI Rudd served in the United Kingdom, Italy and Northwest Europe during the Second World War, in Korea from 1950 to 1951 and with Canada's NATO brigade in Germany from 1953 to 1955.

(Wescom P. R. Photo)

Sent to United Kingdom



Major Leslie W. Basham of Vancouver, will be posted to the United Kingdom in early September and will be employed as general staff officer (2nd grade) at the War Office. He has been employed as general staff officer operations with Western Command headquarters in Edmonton. A member of the Princess Patricia's Canadian Light Infantry, Major Basham enlisted in the Non-permanent Active Militia in 1937 and served in the United Kingdom and Northwest Europe during the Second World War and in Korea.

(Wescom P. R. Photo)

Appointed Command Dental Officer



Colonel B. P. Kearney, MBE, CD, recently assumed the appointment of Command Dental Officer, Headquarters Western Command, and Commanding Officer No. 11 Dental Coy RCDC (R), replacing Col. I. A. L. Millar.

Prior to his present posting, Col. Kearney was Commandant of the RCDC School Camp Borden from April, 1957.

Chief Big Gun



When Brigadier H. T. R. Gregg retired from the Canadian Army Militia at Calgary where he commanded No. 22 Militia Group, Sarcee Indians made him an honorary chief. Main reason was his close association with Camp Sarcee, where he enlisted as a boy soldier 28 years ago. The brigadier was named Chief Big Gun by one of the oldest members of the Sarcee Reservation, Chief Dave One-Spot, age 87.

(National Defence Photo)

The man who once most wisely said, "Be sure you're right, then go ahead," Might well have added this, to-wit, "Be sure you're wrong before you quit."

Schedule Hundred Ton Blast

Detonation of a 200,000-pound charge of TNT, the most massive in a series of shock and blast research explosions carried out during the past three years at Suffield Experimental Station (SES), is scheduled for August 1st at this Defence Research Board establishment near Medicine Hat, Alberta. It is believed the experiment will represent the largest unconfined, symmetrical detonation of a high explosive charge ever conducted and the explosion will resemble a small nuclear charge in its blast effects. No radioactivity will be produced however.

The experiment is a continuation of the Board's non-atomic shock and blast research program initiated in 1957. The scientists are collecting fundamental scientific data on the behaviour of shock and blast waves and other effects.

Data obtained from the series of trials will confirm or modify theoretical extrapolations of the behaviour of shock waves from small charges. The information will be useful both to the Armed Services and the Emergency Measures Organization. The trials will also produce fundamental data of substantial value to research scientists working in civilian fields separate from military applications.

In addition to the massive Canadian effort, teams from the United Kingdom and the United States will participate in the trial by setting out large numbers of military-type targets, such as aircraft, field fortifications, ships' superstructures and vehicles. The effects of the blast on these targets will be monitored and members of the visiting teams will also record some fundamental measurements to supplement the Canadian effort.

The SES operations are directed by A. M. Pennie, the Chief Superintendent of the Alberta research laboratory. Gordon J. Laing is co-

ordinating U.K. participation and Charles Kingery, that of the U.S.

The charge will be a 20-foot diameter hemisphere built of approximately 6,200 cast blocks of TNT which have been produced by the SES Munitions Section. Detonation will be initiated by means of two centrally located electric detonators functioned by a control console. The latter will also control a complex sequence of switching operations automatically during the last minute before Zero and the first few seconds afterwards.

The visual and blast effects of the detonation will be virtually indistinguishable from that of a small nuclear charge. The scientists emphasize that the explosion will not create radio-activity. They add that the thermal flash will be substantially less than that resulting from a small nuclear detonation.

Precautions, which have become standard at SES to ensure the safety of personnel and to preclude the possibility of damage to neighbouring installations, will be taken. In particular, the final decision on the time of firing will be dependent upon meteorological conditions and the explosion will take place only when these conditions are appropriate in every respect.

Although some results of the trial will be available almost immediately, it will probably be a year before all the analyses are complete. Some aspects of the experiment which will relate to military targets will be classified and it will not be possible to release them.

The Honourable Douglas S. Harkness, Minister of National Defence, Dr. A. H. Zimmerman, Chairman of the Defence Research Board and the Chiefs of Staff of the Armed Forces plan to witness the experiment from an observation post 8,000 feet south of Ground Zero.

Training Team to Ghana

In response to a request from President Nkrumah to the Prime Minister, the Rt. Hon. John G. Diefenbaker, the Canadian Government will provide up to thirty Canadian officers to assist in the training of the Officer Corps and technicians of the Ghanaian Armed Forces.

The Canadian "training team" will consist of officers selected from the Canadian Regular and Militia Forces and those selected will be attached to the Ghanaian Military Academy, the Armed Forces Training Centre, the Medical Services and the Air Force for the purpose of training assistance.

While the Canadian Government will be responsible for the Canadians' pay and allowances, the Government of Ghana will be responsible for the costs of moving the officers and their families to

and from Ghana and for such additional allowances, quarters and services as may be determined following consultations between the two Governments.

As part of this arrangement of military training assistance, the Government of Ghana has agreed that the Canadian personnel will not undertake any activity contrary to the Oath of Allegiance to Her Majesty and will not be involved directly in aid to the Civil Power or in any military operations outside Ghana.

A senior officer from the Department of National Defence familiar with the necessary regulations will be assigned to the Canadian High Commissioner's Office in Accra to assist in working out the terms of service and employment for the Canadian personnel involved.

We'll Hang Our Washing On the Wainwright Line



The "Irish Washerwoman" never had it so good, say these men of the 2nd Battalion, Queen's Own Rifles of Canada, as they do their "blue Monday" chores at Camp Wainwright, Alta. They are on concentrated training during the summer with the 1st Canadian Infantry Brigade Group. (National Defence Photo)

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Moved to Winnipeg



Captain Harold J. Hoare of Montreal, will be posted to headquarters Manitoba Area in Winnipeg as personnel officer at the end of August and promoted to the rank of major. He has been employed as personnel officer at Headquarters Alberta Area in Edmonton since 1959. Enlisting in 1942, Capt. Hoare saw service in the United Kingdom, Italy and North-west Europe during the Second World War. He is a graduate of the University of Toronto and also attended summer courses at the University of New Brunswick and the University of Alberta.

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For the past four and a half years, Col. Clifford has held the appointment of Colonel General Staff at Headquarters, Eastern Command in Halifax.

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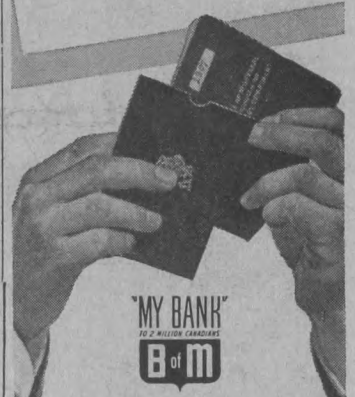
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Soldiers of the 2nd Battalion Princess Patricia's Canadian Light Infantry charge into the water with an assault boat during "watermanship" training at Camp Wainwright, Alberta, where their brigade is concentrated for the month of July for extensive maneuvers. The

Patricias became expert at handling the collapsible craft which would be used in battle to cross a water obstacle in a hurry. Life jackets are used as a safety precaution.

(National Defence Photo)

MOVED TO FORT RUCKER



Major John A. Beament of Ottawa, will be posted to the U.S. Army Aviation School, Fort Rucker, Ala., at the end of August. He was nuclear staff officer at Alberta Area headquarters in Edmonton. A member of the Royal Canadian Dragoons, Major Beament enlisted as a trooper in the Royal Canadian Armoured Corps and was commissioned in 1948. He was second-in-command of No. 56 Canadian Reconnaissance Squadron with the UNEF in the Middle East in 1957. Maj. Beament is a graduate of the University of Toronto and the Canadian Army Staff College, Kingston, Ont.

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Gent's grey felt hat, size 6 7/8.
Lady's rhinestone necklace.
Key case with two keys.
Brown plastic change purse containing cash.

Child's red tricycle, large wheels.
The following found items have been turned in at Camp Office:

Black tobacco pouch.
White key case with 2 GM car keys.

Black key case with 2 Ford car keys and 1 house key.

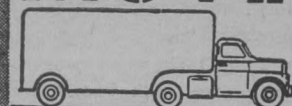
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Lieutenant A. A. Donald of New Westminster, will be posted to No. 11 Personnel Depot in Vancouver at the end of August. He has been Cadet training officer for Northern Alberta with Alberta Area headquarters in Edmonton since 1958. A member of the Princess Patricia's Canadian Light Infantry, Lieut. Donald enlisted with Westminster Regiment in 1939 and has served in the United Kingdom, Italy and Northwest Europe the Second World War and in Korea in 1950. Prior to his present posting he was with Canada's NATO brigade in Germany from 1955 to 1957.

(Wescom P. R. Photo)

To Be DST



Col. L. E. Sarantos, MBT, CD, of Amherst, N.S., will be posted to Army Headquarters, Ottawa, and appointed Director of Supplies and Transport for the Canadian Army, August 9th, headquarters announced recently.

An officer of the Royal Canadian Service Corps, Col. Sarantos is now Commandant of the RCA-SC school at Camp Borden, Ont. Enlisting as a private in the RCA-SC in 1933, he was commissioned in 1941 and served in the United Kingdom, Sicily, Italy and Northwest Europe during the Second World War.

(Wescom P. R. Photo)

ORDNANCE FILLER



More commonly known as the 17 Hot R.O.D., Sgt. Jim Aucoin of 17 R.O.D. this month was voted "The boy most likely to get from one place to another on his job while exerting the least amount of energy." His place of enjoyment covers the best part of a city block and this means of conveyance helps solve his point "A" to point "B" Problem.

(Wescom P. R. Photo)

GRIESBACH BOYS' LITTLE LEAGUE BASEBALL

Due to personnel proceeding on leave, day camp, etc., it was impossible to complete the baseball schedule and run the play-offs on time.

The league schedule will continue on during the first week of school in September, immediately followed by the play-offs.

Results of league play to date is as follows:

	Won	Lost	Tied	Pts.
Red Sox	9	1	0	18
Cardinals	5	2	0	10
Indians	5	3	0	10
Yankees	3	5	0	6
Dodgers	1	7	1	3
Giants	0	6	1	1

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FORMER "CAMP" RETIRES



Major Norman Featherstone of Edmonton and Victoria, will retire from the Regular Army this summer after 33 years service.

An officer of the Princess Patricia's Canadian Light Infantry, Major Featherstone has been employed as the Garrison Adjutant of the Esquimalt garrison in Victoria since September, 1958.

He was born in Edmonton in 1912; enlisted in the PPCLI at the age of 16, and stationed with the Victoria garrison until the outbreak of World War II.

Commissioned in England in 1941, he took part in the Sicily landings with the PPCLI and saw continuous service with the unit until returning to Canada in 1945.

In early post-war years he attended various courses in Canada and U.S. In 1949 he was posted to Royal Military College as an instructor.

From 1950 to 1955 he served as Camp Commandant and Officer Commanding No. 5 Personnel Depot at Kingston, Ontario, and in May, 1955, was named Camp Commandant at Headquarters, Western Command.

224 WORKSHOP RCEME

At a quiet gathering of the members of 224 Workshop RCEME, a presentation was made as a farewell gesture to Major K. S. Parton who is leaving to take over duties as OC, 215 Workshop RCEME in Calgary. Major Parton has been with this unit since September 1st, 1959. Congratulations, on behalf of all members of the Workshop and 13 Company RCEME, are extended to Major Parton on his promotion and our best wishes go with him on his new posting.

We wish, at this time, to take advantage of the opportunity to welcome our new OC, Captain G. Charles. Captain Charles was formerly Scouting Officer at Headquarters RCEME Western Command. We are sure he will enjoy his new posting with the Workshop.

Congratulations to Cpl. John Code on his recent promotion and his successful completion of a Radio Techn Gp 3 examination. Looks like there is a posting in the wind for you, John!

Cpl. Jack Wilson takes another step up the ladder when he is posted to Lakeview, Ont., early in August. Jack will be wetting his hooks as a sergeant.

HQ 13 Company RCEME bid their last farewells to Major W. J. Branston who has been CO of 13 Company RCEME for the past three years. Major Branston joined the Army in 1939 and having since served both in Canada and overseas, is retiring from the Army on having reached retirement age for his rank. Major Branston is making his home in Calgary, Alta. We wish our former Commanding Officer a Bon Voyage.

Miss Audrey Sherbick has pulled up stakes from 13 Coy RCEME and is now employed with 13 Coy RCASC, with a promotion to boot. We extend our greetings to her replacement Miss Adele Slecza on taking over the ropes from Audrey.

PROOF POSITIVE



Long Island Lake has proven a fisherman's paradise for QMS (WO 2) Joe Popp. On a recent trip there, these ten-pounder Jacks "seemed to stand in line for the line." Not counting the one that got away, Joe has pulled in Jacks weighing sixteen pounds from the same lake.

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MOVED TO CAMP GAGETOWN



Lieutenant Ronald E. Montalbetti, of Calgary, will be posted to No. 3 Transport Company, RCASC, in Camp Gagetown, N.B., in mid-August. A member of the Royal Canadian Army Corps, Lt. Montalbetti has been employed with No. 13 Company, RCASC, in Edmonton since 1957. He previously served in the Royal Canadian Navy and Royal Canadian Air Force before enlisting in the Army in 1957.

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D. HIST. RETIRES

An outstanding military historian and author, Col. G. W. L. Nicholson, CD, of 1101 Bronson Ave., Ottawa, will retire from the Regular Army after 19 years service on Sept. 1st, Army Headquarters announced recently.

Director of the Army's Historical Section for the past two years, Col. Nicholson is the author of the second volume of the official history of the Canadian Army in the Second World War, "The Canadians in Italy 1943-45."

In 1955, his book about Sir Winston Churchill's great ancestor, "Marlborough and the War of the Spanish Succession", was published. He also is the author of the soon to be published official one-volume history of Canada's part in the First World War, titled, "Canadian Expeditionary Force 1914-19."

Col. Nicholson will resume his pre-war profession on retirement and become an English teacher in an Ottawa high school this fall. (Wescom P. R. Photo)

TRAINING INCLUDES BLUE MONDAYS

Camp Wainwright, Alta. — To most people, the Seven Wonders of the world consist of the Pyramids and Sphinx, the Colossus of Rhodes and a few other historical monuments.

But to soldiers of the 1st Canadian Infantry Brigade Group now on summer manoeuvres at Camp Wainwright, Alta., the eighth wonder is washing machines.

An ingenious idea, conceived by Brigadier G. A. Turcot, commander of the brigade, and his staff, have brought unit washing machines from home stations to Camp Wainwright and set up laundromats under open skies. Electricity is provided by mobile generators.

When they are not on overnight exercises, the troops have a chance to keep their clothes clean the easy way, a far cry from the old days of washing in a cut-down gasoline can.

During the Second World War, the Ordnance-operated mobile laun-

dry and bath unit not only provided a soldier with a shower, but also a clean change of shirt, socks and underwear. This is not usually done in peacetime during summer concentrations, so the next best thing, say brigade headquarters staff officers, is washers in the field.

One battalion commander claims his unit outshines the rest. They not only have automatic washers, but brought along their dryers to boot. The equipment is normally used in barracks.

Said one Second World War major who is second-in-command of a battalion, "cleanliness is next to Godliness, and if nothing else, the 1st brigade is clean."

LITTLE LEAGUE BASEBALL

In two recent exhibition games between Griesbach and Park Allen, our local boys came out second best. The first game results were 20-4 and an improved 15-11 for the second game.

A factor in these losses was the unfamiliarity of most boys with the longer bases and lead-offs.

Line-up for the Griesbach team was:

Coach — Art Cole
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2nd Base — Curtis
3rd Base — Tuttle
Shortstop — West
Catcher — Dicks
Pitcher — Dales
Right Field — Quinny
Centre Field — Ashmore

13 COY RCASC

As usual the month of July has been a busy one with all sections quite active with postings, moves and the summer commitments.

First off, we would like to congratulate Sgt. and Helen Daly with their recent arrival of a bonnie little girl; Kathleen by name. All the luck in the world "He'len and Doc."

Lt. Montalbetti has been posted to 3 Tpt Coy RCASC in Camp Gagetown and will be departing early in August.

Cpl. Fralick, our able RCOG Storeman, has left for Camp Petawawa. We welcome QMS WO2 Conway into the family fold. Sgt. Maj. Conway will be the new Food Service Supervisor for Alberta Area.

Sgts. Bromley and Taylor have sojourned to Sunny Vernon and Banff Cadet Camps. In addition several drivers have departed for duty at the National Cadet Camp.

WARNING TO ALL GOLFERS

Our little Sgt. Daigneault, the Pro Golfer of 13 Coy RCASC, has made it under the 100 strokes. Why? He has trained a gopher to throw his ball out of the bush. That gave him at least 20 strokes. With a little more training the gopher will par the course.

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The Padres have requested that our Catholic families make an effort to see that our children go to mass daily during the school vacation also some of the parents may attend mass with their children as it is very discouraging to our padres to celebrate the mass to an empty chapel.

Marriages for the Month of July

Richard Joseph Thomas Dunford to Miss Lucille Marie Giselsbrecht. John Thomas Coggins to Stephanie Onysyk.

Baptisms

Gregory Joseph Bernard Laplante, son of Mr. and Mrs. D. J. D. Laplante. Francis James Moran, son of Mr. and Mrs. F. B. Moran.

If woman was designed to be the equal of man, why is it she can't whistle?

THE ST. JOHN'S W. A.

The St. John's W.A. held its end of the season get-together on June 20th. We were happy to have the ladies of Our Lady of Fatima join us in a Theatre Party at the Sahara, where most of us enjoyed "Elvis" in G.I. Blues. After the show we returned to St. John's Conference room for dessert and coffee. Many thanks to the girls who stayed behind and had our dessert and coffee all ready for us when we returned.

The Church Council and the W.A. held a joint farewell reception for Padre and Mrs. Youmatoff on June 18th. Mrs. Moody presented the Padre and Flo with an engraved cigarette box from the ladies of the W.A. We all wish Padre Youmatoff and his family the very best.

We are sorry that we must also bid farewell to Padre and Mrs. Duncan, who have been here such a short time, and will be leaving us at the end of August. An Executive Tea was held recently, for Laura Duncan, who was presented with a souvenir spoon on behalf of the ladies of the W.A.

Have a good holiday, girls, but don't forget to keep saving those odd things for the Bazaar such as Nylon stockings, plastic cleaner bags, rolls from wax, etc., bits of ribbon, wool, novelties, or old jewelry.

And those letters for the Parcel Post could go out to your friends anytime now.

The W.A. meetings will start again on Sept. 12th, with a Pot Luck supper.

We hope to see you all then, well rested and ready to really "go" on the Bazaar work.

ANNOUNCE EXAMINATION RESULTS

Griesbach pupils of Mrs. Elizabeth Phelan ranked high in recent Toronto Conservatory piano examinations. The proficiency they attained under instruction is apparent in the following results.

Practical Examinations

Grade 8 — Linda J. Coates,

Passed — 69.

Grade 7 — Carolyn P. Coates,

Honors — 71.

Grade 5 — Candace Ingram,

Honors — 76.

Grade 4 — Anne Lawlor,

Honors — 78.

Grade 2 — Elizabeth Macdonald,

Honors — 75.

Theory Examination

Candace Ingram 1st Class Honors — 88.

Theory 2 Examination

Candace Ingram 1st Class Honors — 91.

Present plans call for a recital by all pupils of Mrs. Phelan this fall. In announcing the results of the examinations, Mrs. Phelan expressed her appreciation of the co-operation she has received during the past term.

TALK OF THE TOWN

Because of postings, holidays and the annual concentration at Wainwright, I'm afraid there isn't very much social news this month.

I would like to welcome all new residents to the camp and look forward to seeing some of you in the fall.

May I put in a plug here for the headquarters Sergeants' Ladies Club who meet every fourth Wednesday at the Sergeants' Mess. Come on out and enjoy a relaxed social evening.

I noticed at the Edmonton Exhibition a Tacos Shack. Did anyone sample this "delicacy" from Mexico? Someone I know suggested it was rather like hamburger wrapped up in an old boot, but if you're looking for something different to serve your friends — try it!

Tortillas can be bought frozen or canned at Woodwards, these are folded, friend and served hot. The filling is ground beef, canned tomatoes, onions and a dash of cumin topped with chopped salad.

The Tacos is eaten with the fingers and a spoon to catch the drips. Served with hot Mexican peppers and a little Latin music your evening may be a success.

COLONEL E. T. MUNRO TO OTTAWA

Colonel E. T. Munro, CD, of Ottawa, now Commander of Calgary Garrison, will be posted to Ottawa in the third week of August to attend a year's course at the Joint Services Language School, Army Headquarters announced recently.

Before taking up his present command in the fall of 1959, Col. Munro was Colonel in Charge of Administration at Headquarters, Western Command, Edmonton.

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Museum at the Canadian School of Military Intelligence, Camp Borden, Ont. Accepting the gifts are (left) Lt. Col. G. B. Greene, Assistant Adjutant-General Western Command, and Major H. H. Hennie, Intelligence Staff Officer, Western Command Headquarters.

The Bugle is proud to be able to bring its readers this vivid account of a war long past, in the knowledge that among our readers must be very many whose fathers served therein.

YPRES
April 1915

By Lt. H. K. MacDonald
PRO HQ Central Ontario Area

As dawn broke on the morning of April 22nd, 1918, Canadian soldiers manning trenches and defence posts in the front line near Ypres joked among themselves. This sector of the Ypres Salient, which they had just taken over, hadn't lived up to its awesome reputation. The area had been quiet and had apparently been relatively peaceful for months except for trench raids. True, there had been the usual shelling of the town of Ypres and its approaches, but this was normal. They had become accustomed to the shelling.

They did not know that in the next three days they were to win great glory, displaying a skill, discipline and endurance in their first major action to establish the reputation of the Canadian soldier as a formidable fighting man, a reputation his modern-day counterpart enjoys to this day.

Only a month before, after a short period in reserve, the Canadians had been given their first assignment after arriving in France, taking over responsibility for 6400 yards of front line on the left flank of General Sir Douglas Haig's 1st British Army in the Fleurbaix sector. Then, early in April, they were assigned a more dangerous task, that of holding the sector they were now occupying in the infamous Ypres Salient.

They were still relatively untried in battle.

Major-General E. A. H. Alderson, a well-known British Regular Army Officer, commanding the 1st Canadian Division, issued his orders: "The front trenches must be held at all costs. If a trench is lost to the enemy, a counter-attack must be mounted immediately to recapture it. Under no circumstances will ground be given up to the enemy."

His men were to obey that order to their last breath.

WARNINGS RECEIVED

Some warnings that the enemy might employ poison gas against the Salient had reached Allied Intelligence, but the danger was generally discounted.

THE GERMAN PLAN

A determined bid by the Ger-

mans to break through to the Channel Ports in October and November of 1914 had failed, although the crack Prussian Guards had been thrown into battle. Now in the spring of 1915, the enemy planned a new offensive.

Elaborate precautions were taken to ensure secrecy. By the morning of 22nd April all was ready. Masses of troops, huge concentrations of heavy calibres of artillery and poison gas were to be used in a surprise effort to achieve a breakthrough.

The point selected for the attack was the juncture between the British and French Armies. African and French Colonial troops on the right of the French Army were alongside the untried Canadians of the 1st Division, holding the extreme left of the British Army's front.

On the 22nd of April, the Allied front-line trenches, roads and road junctions were subjected to a six hour bombardment which began around 10:00 o'clock in the morning. Monster 16½-inch guns engaged targets in the allied rear, demolishing gun positions, villages and the town of Ypres itself.

POISON GAS

Then, at 5:00 o'clock in the afternoon, the Germans opened the valves of chlorine gas cylinders buried in the parapets of their front line trenches. A greenish-yellow cloud drifted with the wind toward the trenches occupied by the French Colonial troops. In a few minutes they were gasping for breath and in terrible agony, for they wore no gas masks.

Soon they broke and ran with cries of "Pauvre France! Pauvre France!" Their flight left a four mile gap in the line and uncovered the left flank of the Canadians.

Canadian soldiers in the front line trenches said: "Some of the gas reached our trenches. We could do nothing but put our faces into the earth and breathe the little bit of air that filtered through. We expected that the Germans would break through quickly, but they didn't appear for some time. They were afraid of the gas too. We were very sick from the effects of the gas all that day and night."

THE CANADIANS HELD

Despite their casualties, the Canadians remembered their orders, holding firm to their trench line. By nightfall the enemy had effected a penetration several miles deep and were threatening the Canadian rear area. Ten British and Canadian infantry battalions were rushed into the sector to form a line protecting the left and rear of the Canadian division. The 1st Canadian Brigade, which had

been in reserve, took up new positions to protect the road junction and village of St. Julien. Part of the 2nd Canadian Brigade moved up to support the thin forward line of the 13th, 15th and 8th Canadian Infantry Battalions who had withstood the effects of the poison gas and the artillery bombardment. Only two battalions were left in reserve.

On the 23rd of April the Germans attempted to dislodge the Canadian defenders from the positions they held so tenaciously but desperate local counter-attacks drove them off.

THE APEX

The enemy now redoubled their efforts to dislodge the stubborn Canadian defenders who were holding the apex of the triangle formed by the original front line and the new line of defence extending from the left forward Canadian positions two miles to the rear.

On the morning of April 24th, another enemy gas attack was launched, directed against the 13th, 15th and 8th Canadian Infantry Battalions, who were still occupying their positions. Moving behind the clouds of poison gas and supported by artillery concentrations on the Canadian first and second line trenches, the enemy infantrymen advance. Hundreds of our men were overcome by the gas and hundreds more wounded. The Canadian line held, although a small wedge was driven into it from which the enemy were later dislodged.

THE COST

Many gallant men paid dearly for that defence. Official records (Continued on Page 12)

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Well, stranger, the boy was my son.

God what I'd give to hear, "daddy"
Once more when the day's work is done.

The driver was just in a hurry;
He didn't intend any harm.

But the sun and the stars quit shining,
When I picked up my boy's lifeless form.

Well, mister, I'll not give you a ticket,
I don't want to "pinch" anyone.

But I'd ride my motorcycle through hell,
To protect another man's son.

So the next time you feel like speeding,
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Just pause and remember my Jackie,
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YPRES

(Continued from page 11)

show that the 15th Battalion of the 3rd Brigade suffered 428 casualties on the 23rd of April, while the 7th Battalion of the 2nd Brigade had only two less on the 24th. All of the front line units suffered a higher proportion of fatal casualties in relation to wounded than in any other action of the war. The 15th Battalion could scarcely muster 100 effective fighting men for roll call after the battle, and many of these were bandsmen, cooks and other specialists who had been thrown into the fight.

The 1st Canadian Division suffered 5,506 casualties in four days of the battle before they were retired to supporting positions on the 26th of April. They were finally relieved on May 4th. The weight of the German attack and the surprise use of gas, for which the Allies were unprepared and unequipped, had presented a medical problem of staggering proportions.

THE HEROISM

Four Canadians were awarded the Victoria Cross during that four day period:

The first Cross was won by L/Cpl. Fred Fisher of the 13th Canadian Infantry, who won it posthumously on the 23rd of April while protecting the withdrawal of a Canadian field battery near St.

Julien. Later in the day, as he brought his machine gun into action the second time, to cover the advance of supporting troops, Fisher was killed.

Capt. Francis Alexander Scrimger, of the Canadian Army Medical Corps was regimental Medical Officer of the 14th Canadian Infantry Battalion (Royal Montreal Regiment). During the heavy fighting between 22nd and 25th April, Capt. Scrimger tended the wounded on the battlefield and later dressed the wounds of an estimated 1,000 Allied casualties. He refused to sleep or rest for three days, until the wounded had been attended to, then collapsed. Capt. Scrimger died in Montreal in 1937.

On April 24th, Company Sergeant-Major Frederick Hall of the 8th Canadian Infantry Battalion, hearing a wounded man call for help from 15 yards in front of the line trenches, organized two attempts to evacuate the wounded man. The first attempt, carried out by two men, failed although they were protected by covering fire from the Canadian trench. Both men were wounded. Accurate enemy fire was so heavy that any attempt to reach the wounded man seemed suicidal, nevertheless, CSM Hall made another attempt and was in the act of raising the wounded man when he was struck in the head and died instantly.

On April 24th, Lieutenant Don-

ald Edward Bellew, 7th Canadian Infantry Battalion, the battalion machine gun officer, held up the enemy attack on Gravenstafel Ridge, with the last machine gun, until out of ammunition, he was finally overcome and taken prisoner. Lieut. Bellew was a prisoner of war until 1917 when he was exchanged and interned in Switzerland. He was unaware that he had been recommended for the Victoria Cross. The announcement of the award appeared in a Vancouver newspaper after his return in 1919. Details of his bravery were incomplete until other prisoners of war confirmed the accounts. Lieut. Bellew died in British Columbia in February of this year at the age of 78.

Lieut. Bellew was the last survivor of that gallant band of VC winners at Ypres. The veterans of that battle are dwindling fast. It is with great pride that we remember their exploits of 46 years ago.

The British Commander in Chief, Field Marshal Sir John French, wrote in his dispatch:

"In spite of the danger to which they were exposed, the Canadians held their ground with a magnificent display of tenacity and courage; and it is not too much to say that the bearing and conduct of these splendid troops averted a disaster which might have been attended with the most serious consequences."

HQ RCEME

Major C. H. Betts is presently enjoying a spot of well earned leave, seeing sunny Alberta at her best, prior to taking over his duties as Area EME Alberta Area.

We want to take this opportunity to congratulate Capt. Charles and wish him every success in his new appointment as Officer Commanding 224 Workshop RCEME. We are sorry to see him leave HQ RCEME, but know that he is within easy calling distance on the Alberta Area side. Oh Scales . . . and we don't mean the Doh Ray Me kind!

Welcome is extended to his replacement officer, Lt. J. S. Davies,

who with his wife and young son Richard, have arrived from the RCEMT School and are happily settled at 10112 - 148th Avenue. We hope that your stay in Griesbach will be a most pleasant one.

WO2 Marston is away touring Montana and British Columbia on his annual leave. Sagebrush and cacti . . . Boot Hill . . . and did you see Miss Kitty?

Cpl. K. T. Hornby has returned to duty after a session in hospital, and was happy to learn that he had been allocated a PMQ. He is now residing at 10316 - 152 Ave.

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